## House Resolution No. 3033

Whereas, as the 2002-2003 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

**Whereas**, the Stockton R-I School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on June 30, 2003, with the retirement of Judy Ford who has devoted many years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Judy Ford has taught third grade for twenty-nine years at Stockton R-I, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, Judy Ford has also enjoyed recognition as an eMINTS (enhancing Missouri's Instructional Networked Teaching Strategies) Teacher; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Judy Ford has touched the lives of countless youngsters by helping them form a solid educational foundation upon which to build in the future; and

Whereas, formerly a first grade teacher in Wheatland for two years, Judy Ford earned a Master's degree in elementary education; and

Whereas, Judy Ford derives a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through her affiliation with First Southern Baptist Church, where she serves as a Music Director; and

Whereas, Judy Ford has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Ed Ford, and two sons, Stephen Ford and Patrick Ford:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Stockton R-I School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Judy Ford has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Judy Ford, as a measure of our esteem for her.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3033, adopted May 20, 2003.